CTTC Advisory Board September 12, 2023 Meeting Minutes

CENTRAL TEXAS TECHNOLOGY CENTER (CTTC) ADVISORY BOARD

The City of New Braunfels in partnership with the City of Seguin established the Central Texas Technology Center (CTTC) Board to assist in the administration of the CTTC and its programs. The CTTC Board is charged with the responsibility of oversight for the CTTC and with keeping both City Council's informed on the operations.

10 members / 3-year terms, lifetime max of 2 terms / quorum = majority of duly appointed (6 of 10)

NEW BRAUNFELS		<u>SEGUIN</u>	
Х	Rachel Behnke – New Braunfels ISD – Secretary (Education, 2 nd term expires 4/26/24)	Х	Rick Bough – Seguin ISD (Education, 1st term expires 12/31/24)
Х	Bret Bradberry - Caterpillar. – Vice-Chair (Engineering/ Technical Writing, 1 st term expires 4/26/23)		Jason Dinscore – CMC, steel - Chair (Manufacturing, 1st term expires 12/31/23)
Х	Shane Hines – New Braunfels EDC		Vanessa Ritenour – Navarro ISD (Education, 1st term expires 12/31/24)
	Alan Luke – CGT US Limited (Manufacturing, 2 nd term expires 4/26/24)	X	Mark Long – First Commercial Bank (Financial Services, 1 st term expires 12/31/24)
	Tina Olcott, Comal ISD (Education, 1st term expires 4/26/24)	Х	Dr. Tasha Montez – GMRG (Healthcare, 1 st term expires 12/31/23)

OTHER MEETING ATTENDEES:

Josh Schneuker, City of Seguin
Ashlynn Reed, City Seguin
Rusty Brockman, City of New Braunfels
Jeff Jewell, City of New Braunfels
Shannon Gildea, City of New Braunfels
Michele Boggs, New Braunfels Chamber
Mike Crowley, New Braunfels Chamber
Johnathan Packer, New Braunfels Chamber
Dr. Veronica Garcia, Northeast Lakeview College
Betsy Flood, Northeast Lakeview College
Rudy Farias, Northeast Lakeview College
Jason Taylor, Northeast Lakeview College
Renee Martinez, Comal ISD
Mike Anderson, TSTC
Rusty Brockman, Cemex

Meeting called to order 7:48am

Kathy Meurin, Clear Springs

Roll call; Quorum established

Minutes from April 25th, 2023 reviewed; one correction to be made - Bret Bradberry employer has changed to Caterpillar; motion made to approve minutes as amended; seconded; minutes approved

No citizens communication presented

Discussion and Action

Regular Meeting Schedule for second Tuesday of every month: location will be CTTC Motion made and seconded; motion approved

Announcement of optional TSTC walkthrough after meeting

Reports/Updates

Legislative/Staff –Not many updates since HB 4997; It has been a regional effort to continue to collaborate between communities to explore TSTC in the region; long-term goal to bring a full campus to the region to serve the needs of our communities

TSTC- Mike Anderson oversees TSTC campus; started first cohort with 15 students; learned they'd like to have 25-30 in the FAME cohort; Lissa Adams is no longer with TSTC so Mike is our point of contact; next month is Manufacturing Month – would like to do something with TxFAME and looking to recruit more business partners, no date or name yet

Northeast Lakeview College – would like to do an overall Open House for the community and businesses (suggestion of doing this in conjuction with TSTC); striping for handicap parking was completed by City of NB; NLC sign goes up on Wednesday and will mirror TSTC; spent \$310,000 for IT upgrades, furniture, paint, etc., Phase 2 will include furniture in testing center. This fall they offered 14 sections and 11 made. 141 students are here in person this fall. Full Biology, Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology classes. Made extensive upgrades to wifi, the airport affects cell phone service due to blocking radars but students can join guest wifi. Currently healthcare programs fall under SAC. NLC is in process of adding Nursing program – applying this year and hope to have their own cohort in Fall 2024. Hired a Dean from ACC with Allied Health background to design all the programming.

Chamber – NB: been meeting with employers in NB area. Detex starting a soldering program with CTTC as well as Workforce solutions; still a need for welding certifications, NB/Canyon students visiting the Business Trade Show today, will be manufacturing day event and bringing HS students in to tour, need forklift certifications and advanced technical skills, seeing increased need for people who can work on automation, looking at wraparound services to increase childcare availability in the area, Veteran's job fair on Thursday, currently at least one job fair a month; medical space has a dire need for medical assistants and LVNs, limited Radiology Tech and Billing/Coding, EKG techs, phlebotomy.

Cities – Seguin: continuing to work on regional initiatives, how to connect industry with workforce training, gearing up for Manufacturing Day with 180 students to tour 9 manufacturers – each group will see 3 manufacturers

Discussion about Educational partner open house – leave to the entities for logistics, however - we will want a presence as a board whether it is an independent or a joint event; dates will be shared out as soon as they are decided

Items for next Agenda -

- Recruiting plan for TxFAME within the ISDs
- Spring schedule from NLC and recruiting plan for the fall
- Update from ISDs on how beginning of year went

Meeting adjourned at 8:25am